August 11, 2024

First Presbyterian Church

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

> Pastor: Rev. Chris Campbell Lay Leader: Scott May Organist: Shina Heo

The Worship of God

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation. § Invites all who are able to stand.

Please silence all phones and devices. Please fill out the Friendship Pad in your row.

Gathering

Prelude Prélude Joséphine Boulay

The Light of Christ

Prayer for Preparation

Redeeming God, you satisfy our soul's hunger through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Filled with your steadfast love, let us live in love, working honestly to share with the needy, feeding others with the bread of kindness, tenderness, and forgiveness. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

Listen, says the apostle Paul: I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will be changed; in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet, the dead will be raised to life.

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Introit Rejoice! C. O. Beck

§ Hymn 409 God Is Here! Abbot's Leigh

§ Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children.

We have been angry with the world and nursed grudges against our adversaries.

We have hoarded the fruits of our labors rather than share our bounty with the needy.

We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness, but have indulged in evil gossip.

We have not forgiven the wrongs others have done,

even though we desire your forgiveness toward us in Jesus Christ.

Heal us, O God, and give us the grace to love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

§ Gloria Patri Greatorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Proclaiming

Psalm 130 Responsive Reading

Refrain



Lord, from the depths to you I cry; Lord, hear my prayer.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

Refrain

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Refrain

Gospel Reading

John 6:35; 41–51

New Testament page 98

Children's Time

Children, age 3 to fourth grade, are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in room 108.

Anthem

And the Father Will Dance

Mark Hayes

And the Father will dance over you in joy!

He will take delight in whom He loves.

Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God?

No, the Lord God Himself is exulting over you in song!

My soul will make its boast in God, for He has answered all my cries.

His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day.

Awake my soul! Awake, my soul, and sing!

Let my spirit rejoice, in God!

Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart!

Cast away fear for you have been restored!

Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day.

Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song.

And He will joy over you in song!

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

New Testament page 177

Sermon Flipped Upside Down

Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 403

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

Unser Herrscher

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory

African Praise Choir

It is a great thing to serve the Lord, walking in the light of God, The Creator of heaven and earth, the Alpha and Omega.

He made man in His own image. Every knee shall bow down.

\$ Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

Sending

§ Affirmation of Faith

Q. 45 from the Heidelberg Catechism

What benefit do we receive from "the resurrection" of Christ?

First, by his resurrection he has overcome death that he might make us share in the righteousness which he has obtained for us through his death. Second, we too are now raised by his power to a new life. Third, the resurrection of Christ is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection. Amen.

§ Hymn 1

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

Nicaea

§ Charge and Benediction

Rev. Campbell

Postlude

These Are the Holy Ten Commendments

Johann Sebastian Bach

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Commissioned for the dedication of a renovated worship space in Austin, Texas, this text is one of the few to devote attention to how customary church features facilitate worship. The tune was composed in wartime Britain to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.



Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty 403



In the first stanza "Zion" is not a general synonym for Jerusalem but a reference to the part of the city where the Temple stood. It prepares the way for the interior temple of the heart in stanza two. The pre-existing tune is by a prominent German Reformed hymnwriter.

1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Descant 4 Ho ly, 1 Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho ly! Lord God Al - might - y! - ly! - ly! 2 Ho-ly, ho-ly, the saints a - dore thee, ho all 3 Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho though the dark-ness hide thee, 4 Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y! ho ly, Ear - ly thee. the morn - ing our song shall rise cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see, thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. ho ly, ly! Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho mer - ci - ful and might - y! cher - u - bim and fall - ing down be - fore ser - a - phim on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three per-sons, bless-ed Trin God bless - ed Trin - i - ty! in three per sons, who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be. per fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty. bless - ed Trin - i - ty! God in three per sons,

Church Work Day

Due to minor delays in the work being done by Goff the church work day will NOT be held August 10. We will communicate with you the work day at a later time.

Thank you - the Transform Team.

PCHAS Foster Family Outreach

As PCHAS volunteers we received this story from Maria Shupe and agreed to help. This is what I've told PCHAS we'd like to see more of - direct support of foster families in the Arlington area. We have been asked to help a kinship foster caregiver as she takes on the care of four siblings in an Arlington home as she and the children relocate. We're talking your hands, hearts, and sweat equity as unpacking, organizing, as well as cleaning up the back yard, in preparation for a PCHAS inspection in 4 weeks.

Contact Marge & Bob Dawson

WELCOME TEAM — Help us welcome guests!

We want to make sure that guests are always welcomed when they enter our church, and that someone is available to answer any questions they may have. They may need help finding the nursery, the restrooms, etc. We have two Welcome Team members each Sunday currently, but soon will need four, when the current phase of construction is complete. Beginning June 30, there will be a Welcome Team poster and sign-up sheet in the Narthex where you can sign up to be part of the team for a particular date. Welcome Team members arrive at 10:30am and are available at a designated entrance. One team member will need to remain in the narthex for the entire service and the others can join the congregation in the sanctuary approximately 10 minutes after the service starts at 11:00am. Help us show guests that we are glad they're here! Help us make guests feel welcome!

Help us show God's love to guests by greeting them warmly and answering any questions they may have.

"Wednesday Women's Bible Study"

The Wednesday Women's Bible Study meets the second Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. in the church parlor from September through May.

This group will resume Wednesday, September 11. The new study is the 2024-2025 PE/Horizons Bible Study "Let Justice Roll: God's call to care for Neighbors and All Creation." A light snack is served at each meeting. Members rotate on leading the discussion and bringing a snack. All women are invited.

Study guides will be ordered around July 15. If you have not already requested a guide, please reply to Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) and request a book. Cost is \$12 per person. When the books arrive, an email will go out stating where they may be picked up and how to pay.

Ouestions?

Contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com).

Weekly Calendar		Prayer Ministry
Sunday 8/11		Prayers for those with health and other concerns:
Sunday School	9:45 am	
Worship Service	11:00 am	Billie Jo Campbell, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett,
		Cyprain Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ken Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Ivone Franzolin, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and
Monday 8/12		Lila Glenn, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Graciela
		Lopez Montero, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Charlie Nieman,
Tuesday 8/13		Tina Paulk, Sheri Quick, Aileigh Rodriguez, Eleanor
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am	Schernbeck, Tonya Scrabeck, Lorna Snyder, David
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am	Spencer, Larry Spencer, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers,
		Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Sherry and Shelby Wolfe, Danny Womble
Wednesday 8/14		vvoile, Dainiy vvoilible
Men's Bible Study	8:00 am	Prayers for family in the armed forces:
Quilting, etc.	10:30 am	Colin A. Peden, Christopher Young
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm	·
CWF Bible Study	7:00 pm	Prayers for our home-bound members:
		Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, Betty Snowden, Dee
Thursday 8/15		Uhri, Richard Whitenight
		Prayers for those who do not know Christ
Friday 8/16		1 rayers for those who do not know Christ
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am	
Saturday 8/17		
Embrace Grace	11:00 am	
		If you have any congregational care needs, contact
		Parish Associate, Jim Shroyer at 682-445-0155 or jim@

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